



PUBLIC NOTICE

EMERGENCY PERMIT ISSUED

Beale Air Force Base

Marysville, California



August 26, 2010 through October 24, 2010

On August 23, 2010 Beale Air Force Base (AFB) requested an Emergency Permit from the Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC). Beale AFB proposes to treat hazardous waste munitions by open detonation. DTSC requires an Emergency Permit for the requested treatment by detonation because the facility does not have a permit for this type of hazardous waste treatment.

The permit is for treatment of military munition items. The items to be treated are a high explosive grenade acquired during an emergency response action and a damaged water gel explosive package. Beale AFB Explosive Ordnance Disposal personnel have determined that, due to their condition, the items are considered unsafe for shipment and no alternative on-site treatment is available.

DTSC finds there is a potential imminent and substantial endangerment to human health and the environment. As such, DTSC is issuing this emergency permit to Beale AFB effective **August 26, 2010 through October 24, 2010**. The emergency permit includes measures to minimize any adverse impact to the community and the environment during the treatment.

CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA) – DTSC has determined that this Emergency Permit is exempt from the requirements of CEQA as an action necessary to prevent or mitigate an emergency. A Notice of Exemption (NOE) will be filed which starts a 35-day time period for any legal challenges to DTSC's CEQA determination for this Emergency Permit. This activity is necessary to prevent an emergency because the material cannot be stored, handled, or shipped off-site without posing a threat to the environment, property, and human health.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION – A copy of the Emergency Permit, NOE, the Beale AFB's request, as well as the full Administrative Record for this project is available for review at

Department of Toxic Substances Control
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Sacramento, California 95826

For further information regarding the Emergency Permit for the Beale AFB, please contact Beverly Rikala, Hazardous Substances Engineer, at (916) 255-3746 or BRikala@dtsc.ca.gov, or Veronica Lopez-Villaseñor, Public Participation Specialist, at (916) 255-3651 or VLopezvi@dtsc.ca.gov. For media inquiries, please contact Charlotte Fadipe, DTSC CFadipe@dtsc.ca.gov or (916) 956-2838.

NOTICE TO THE HEARING IMPAIRED - You can obtain additional information by using the California State Relay Service at 1-888-877-5378 (TDD). Please ask them to contact Veronica Lopez-Villaseñor at (916) 255-3651 regarding the Beale AFB emergency permit.

For additional information regarding DTSC, please visit our web site at www.dtsc.ca.gov